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# Ho-Chunk Preference should develop a relevant workforce

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Gale White is furious about Ho-Chunk preference and isn't afraid to let HHCDA know about it. In an email, she addresses Ho-Chunk Housing and Community Development Agency, Executive Director, Mark Butterfield with her thoughts about having her interview terminated because she didn't have an early childhood associate's degree. "Why did they even schedule me for an interview if they just going to do that? I have the qualifications to be a teacher without it. If not, why did they want to interview me?" White stressed.

According to HCN Resolution 6-03-09B, she may have a point. "Whereas, the planned Childcare Center will be set up to become an independent 501(c)(3) non profit agency, with its own governing board and staff, employing area tribal members both in the construction and operational phases (through HHCDA and HCN will provide resources to help establish the agency), with a goal of eventually

providing childcare spaces for low-income AIAN members in the area who are in need of this service;..."

White was to be interviewed for the Lead Teacher position at the Children's Learning Village in Black River Falls, which is now only going to be a "day care" with some type of Montessori leanings in teaching style. White explained that after the one question, her interview was stopped. In the email, she writes that Lee Ann Mortenson, LTE Day Care Director, and Allyson Schmitz, HHCDA employee were the only two interviewers. "I asked Leann Mortenson if she had her early childhood degree? She replied, 'no'. Now she gets Montessori training provided. Then Allyson said Lee Ann didn't need one because she was the program director, not the lead teacher." White has since asked for an appeal to the Children's Learning Village Board to decide how this will be handled. "How does she get power to terminate an interview when she doesn't even know how much experience I have with kids or any of the training I have received? I wasn't even able to get that far in the interview?" she questioned.

Tracy Thundercloud who now works with the Grievance Review Board said, "Sometimes it can be just on qualifications. However, there is a new part in the Employee Relations Act (ERA) that was passed last August that should provide Ho-Chunks a way to get hired if even they don't have the top qualifications. There should be no doubt about being able to work if they meet the basic qualifications," he said. It may appear Ho-Chunk preference is working to get Ho-Chunk people

employed, however, some procedures may not add up in Ho-Chunk favor, especially during the interview process.

However, since this is a HHCDA position, it may be difficult to address since they don't have "Ho-Chunk Preference" per se in their hiring practice. They do have Native American Preference though. Yet, the resolution states both HHCDA and HCN will employ area tribal members in the operational phase.

HCN President, Jon Greendeer, responded to various issues at the District 1 Area Meeting last year, regarding employment, stating he was going to develop a Ho-Chunk Preference Officer position to look into possible allegations of people not hiring Ho-Chunk people within the Nation. Presently, there is a job description for the position, but no money to fund it. The reality of non-hires, however, still looms as some members feel they aren't being treated with respect with such projects or partnerships.

The need for an oversight position within this context may evolve soon as well. "There are discussions at the present time to look into this area for tribal members," remarks Jim Lambert. Moreover, training for new employees about why Ho-Chunk Preference is important may need to become paramount if current trends not to train Ho-Chunks continue. Some members assume this should be a state of mind and that preference should always be given to Ho-Chunks if they can be trained into the position and show a passion for the job.

Some supervisors, Ho-Chunk or otherwise, aren't being held accountable to hiring Ho-Chunk people.

President Greendeer further explained via email, "This is one of the biggest issues going on in Indian Country today. How does a tribe develop a relevant workforce from their own tribal population? Many leaders across the Nation are perplexed about this as well," he said about discussions from his last trip to the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) conference.

Some supervisors aren't convinced they should hire a Ho-Chunk. They believe Ho-Chunks will not meet the duties of the job or can't meet the standards established within the ERA. There appears to be a double-edged sword within this debate, especially with degrees or certifications as well. Even though the policy reads 50% plus 1. It is assumed this means every department. It's these types of sentiments though that spurns those who can't get jobs with the current interview process. Why should a non native get the nod if this organization was set up to hire and train our own?

"People can see it, but don't know how to address it," said presidential aide, Algie Wolters. Past cases never seem to come forward or get heard. "We don't get complaints, however, people need to come forward and submit a letter to Personnel if they feel something is not right," said Roxanne White Gull, hiring specialist with the Personnel Department.

Some tribal members recently talked about this issue at the last District Area Meeting. Legislative aide, John Stacy, said, "I don't know if it is Ho-Chunk Preference that was brought up at the last (June) meeting. They just wanted the President's Office to provide paperwork on the hiring

procedure." Department of Labor has statistics showing a number of Ho-Chunks are unemployed. Whether they want to work is another question.

However, just to get a foot in the door is hard enough when some supervisors don't want Ho-Chunks working. Some departments seem to get away with just writing a waiver stating why the Ho-Chunk should not be hired in lieu of a qualified non-native. This defiantly goes against the Ho-Chunk Preference policy.

It will be interesting to see how the Children's Learning Village board will deal to this type of notice now that an area tribal member has not been granted a full interview. The next question is how Ho-Chunk Preference will work in this new era where Ho-Chunks are not recruited with any intent to hire, if at all. They may only be the window dressing for grants written for them.



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# Legislature eviscerates the Ho-Chunk Nation General Council's Authority

Submitted by GCA Attorney John Swimmer

GCA appointed a Federal Election Board consisting of members of General Council Agency, the Legislature, and Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board. But the President along with six Legislators filed an objection and requested that the Legislature appoint a separate Election Board. The BIA rejected GCA's appointed Board and accepted the Legislature's Federal Election Board. In protest the two General Council Agency members on the Federal Election

Board Marvin Decorah, Sr. and Muriel Whiteagle-Lee resigned.

GCA believes that General Council has authority under the Ho-Chunk Nation Constitution to appoint the Federal Election Board under the Ho-Chunk Nation Constitution. Under the Constitution, The People of the Ho-Chunk Nation grant all inherent sovereign powers to the General Council. HCN Const. Art. IV, Sec. 1. The General Council has delegated power to the Legislature to make laws and appropriate funds in accordance with

Article VI of the Constitution. But the Constitution is silent regarding appointment of Federal Election Board for General Council Amendments to the Constitution. The Constitution sets forth a list of explicit powers delegated to the Legislature. The Ho-Chunk Nation has separation of power, which provide "No branch of government

shall exercise the powers or functions delegated to another branch." The power to appoint a Federal Secretarial Election Board is not one of those powers delegated to the Legislature. Thus, GCA asserts that this is a reserved power for the General Council, and GCA has been given authority through a power of attorney


resolution to take all actions necessary to hold a Federal Secretarial Election including the power to appoint a Federal Election Board. The President and Legislators are acting unconstitutionally by failing to recognizing that General Council has the right to appoint the Federal Election Board.



## Master Apprentice openings!!

**The Language Division would like to announce the opening for apprentices in the Wis. Dells, Wis. Rapids and Wittenberg areas. Applicants may come to the Mauston office to pick applications. At that time there will be a brief introduction as to what their responsibilities will be should they be selected. These will be contracted employees.**

Questions contact Hoocak Waazijia Hacı  
Language Division office at: (800)4WAKSIK



## July Elders Birthdays

1 Reuben Hall	20 Terry Greendeer
2 Curtis Mallory Sr.	21 Madeline Walker
3 Ardella Quackenbush	22 Wilma Thompson
4 Gregory Littlejohn	23 Colette Trumpy
5 Pat Schulz	24 Dennis Tsugawa
6 Loylee Mike	25 Doran Goodbear
7 Elizabeth Deere	26 Roberta Chrisjohn
8 John Funmaker	27 Ronald K. Decorah
9 Helen Miller	28 Lewis Buchanan
10 Terry Steindorf	29 Colleen Fanning
11 Charlene Tebo	30 Constance Lonetree
12 Mary Dick	31 Ed Winneshiek
13 Pat Boyles	32 Robert Cleveland
14 Prescilla Niemi	33 Marguerite Lebeck
15 Diana Demarrias	34 Michael Hellrud
16 Millie Link	35 Susan Jones
17 Dale Stephens	36 Lynn Elliott
18 Nadine WhiteEagle	37 Paul Thundercloud
19 Bonnie Stroessner	38 Norman Smith
20 Roley White Eagle	39 Janice Lopez-Roska
21 Wallace Johnson	40 Valerie Bartlett
22 Pearl Mrotek	41 Robert Tipton
23 Cecelia Sine	42 Marguerite Whiteagle
24 William Winneshiek Jr.	43 Marilyn La Mere
25 Jerry Kines	

### Office of the General Council Announcements

#### General Council Agency Meeting Postings:

A GCA Special meeting is scheduled on June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2012, at 9:00 AM, in BRF, WI. The GCA Ad Hoc Finance Committee will meet on June 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>, 2012, at 10:00 AM, in BRF, WI.

The next GCA Regular scheduled meeting is at 9:00 AM, on July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2012, at Ho-Chunk Gaming Wisconsin Dells Baraboo, WI.

General Council Agency meetings are subject to the Open Meetings Act. All meetings are open to the public.

#### General Council Agency Vacancies:

The GCA has one Agent vacancy in Black River Falls and one Alternate vacancy in Tomah. Tribal members who are interested must be voted in by a majority vote at the monthly area meeting.

#### General Council Agency is now accepting RFPs for General Council 2012 for the following:

##### American Legion Proposals: Color Guard and Flag Ceremony Drum Group

#### General Council Agency News:

The GCA is preparing for General Council 2012 which will be held at Ho-Chunk Gaming Wisconsin Dells, Baraboo, WI on September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2012.

Please submit resolutions to the Office of the General Council located at the Mission Warehouse in Black River Falls, WI.

The Office of the General Council provides resolution assistance.

Please submit RFPs to the Office of the General Council  
PO Box 667, Black River Falls, WI. 54615  
Telephone: (715) 284-9343 ext. 1275, 1070, 1075.

We are looking forward to seeing you at General Council 2012.

Date: June 4, 2012

To: Members of the General Council Agency

From: Veterans Advisory Board

RE: Veterans Home Ownership Program

The Veterans Advisory Board of the Hocak Wazijaci Nation and the tribal veterans of whose interests we serve would like to thank the General Council Agency in assisting the Veterans Advisory Board by ensuring that the Legislature stayed within compliance by approving the allocation of \$4,000,000.00 to establish a Veterans Home Ownership Program (VHOP) per Resolution 10-05-10G.

At last year's Hocak Wazijaci General Council, the electorate voted to endorse the VHOP resolution by a resounding 1078 to 250 vote with 142 abstaining. Until recently we had yet to witness any legislative compliance with the provisions of that resolution.

Again, we would like to express our gratitude to the General Council Agency in your expeditious response to this matter.

Sincerely,



Dominic Bell, Chairman

Members of the Veterans Advisory Board  
Ronald Anwash, Vice Chairman  
Dallas R. Whitewing, Member  
Andrew Thundercloud, Member



# Team Dream Weavers completes Madison to Chicago Ragnar Relay

By Kathleen Clemons, Exercise Physiologist and Susan Weber, District One Legislator

On June 8th, 6:30 a.m., Team Dream Weavers set out to complete the 198 mile Madison to Chicago Ragnar Relay race. Dream Weavers completed the relay in 32 hours, 40 minutes and 4 seconds.

The team battled hot weather both days ranging 85 to 90 degrees with long stretches with little to no shade. The team supported each other along the way with plenty of cold water, Gatorade and spraying of runners with water guns or spray misters. Fortunately, the team did not suffer any heat related problems.

Van 2 had a rough last leg with incorrect route directions and temperatures steadily climbing in the 80's. The incorrect directions delayed van support in providing water to their runners. With one runner on the course (John) and one runner to complete (Kerejusep) the 198

mile race, the van decided to call it quits. John had to continue past his exchange as Kerejusep ran towards John in order to complete the hand off. While both runners put on more miles to complete this exchange, van 1 driver, Steve Garvin, rescued van 2 runners from their DOA van. Meanwhile, Stuart Rave, who was at the finish line, picked up a gallon jug of water and ran up the route to ensure our last runner, Kerejusep, on his 8 mile run, was able to finish the run well hydrated in the heat of the day. And not to mention the many other runners Stuart was able to hydrate with his gallon jug of water. Hu-rah!

After an hour and half ride in city traffic, we arrived at our hotel to find there wasn't any hot water. We didn't discover this until we went to take a shower, brrr! Besides being tired the team was hungry and it so happened that our large table was assigned a new waitress. When we placed our order with the new waitress, she

repeatedly asked, "Is that on the menu?" Despite the long "Friturday", the team kept each other laughing and in good spirits.

Our team consisted of the following members: Van 1 – Stuart and Diane Rave, Chris and Todd Seguin, Joan Greendeer-Lee and Kathleen Clemons; Drivers were Steve Garvin and Shelly Kagigebi. Van 2 runners: Henning Garvin, Susan Weber, Eli (Kerejusep) Youngthunder, John Stacy, Kathryn Young and Kessa Harshman; drivers were Chris Munson and Kjetil Garvin.

I was very proud to be a part of this team. Everyone worked together and we ended up with more great memories and funny stories to enjoy for the next race. The Ragnar Relay has become so popular with Ho-Chunk Nation that we now have two teams that will be participating in the Great River race coming up in August. We started in 2010 with 11 people from HCN and will now have 38 for the Great River race. That



Very front kneeling: Kessa Harshman, Shelly Kagigebi. Middle row: Chris Munson, Kjetil Garvin, Susan Weber, Joan Greendeer-Lee, Kathryn Young, Kathleen Clemons. Back Row: Eli Youngthunder, John Stacy, Steve Garvin, Henning Garvin, Chris Seguin, Todd Seguin, Diane Rave, Stuart Rave.

includes runners, volunteers and van drivers. With training and determination, the race can be completed by experienced runners and beginners. Will you be next? We would like to thank our sponsors who generously

supported us for this race: Ho-Chunk Nation Tribal members and employees, BP Smokehouse, Airport Lounge, Chiropractor Jon Stowe, Sunset Tavern and the SDPI Grant.

## Dining out smart

Information provided by Tara Ringler, Nutritionist For further information contact HHCC 715-284-9851, Ext. 5340.

Dining out, whether it is a quick stop or sit-down experience, is very common for a lot of people. This can be a fun and enjoyable experience. However, it is also common to eat differently at restaurants (i.e. eating more and less healthy) than one would at home. This can lead to weight gain and/or poor health. Follow the tips below to help you reach/maintain a healthy weight while still enjoying dining out.

- Don't skip meals or go too long without eating
- Being overly hungry can lead to poor choices and overeating



- Be the first to order so that you are not tempted by the choices of others
- Fill half your plate with fruits and vegetables
- Start with a broth-based soup/salad
- Ask for/order grilled, baked, roasted, broiled, or steamed instead of fried
- Avoid visible fat, breading, and the skin on meats
- Avoid big words – whopper, super, monster, jumbo
- Substitute plant proteins for meat occasionally (beans, nuts, seeds)
- Ask for extra vegetables and less cheese, butter, or oil
- Ask for dressings, sauces, or gravies on the side only. Broth/tomato sauces are often healthier versus creamy.
- Get a full night sleep to limit sugar & caffeine cravings
- Try fruit instead of sugary drinks/treats for fiber & nutrient benefits
- Share entrees/desserts with others
- Box part of food up right away
- Stay hydrated
  - It is easy to mistake the signs of dehydration as being hungry
  - If you are thirsty, you are already dehydrated
  - Water is best (try a splash of lemon/lime for flavor)
  - Diet soda, unsweetened



- iced tea, low-fat or fat-free milk, coffee, tea, or Crystal Light are better choices versus sugary drinks
- Slow down while you eat – it takes 15 minutes to feel full
  - Find ways to deal with any stress in your life to avoid dealing with it with food
  - Examples: exercise, massage, hobbies such as reading, or talk to others
  - Make changes slowly for long-term success
  - If you do choose unwisely or overeat, it's okay - just make your next choices healthier

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Having the knowledge to manage your diabetes is the first step to living well with it.

Class will be starting on July 2, 2012 in Black River Falls at the Ho-Chunk Health Care Center. A member of the DM team will need to meet with you to do Assessments (Diabetes History). At this point there is still room for participants, but keep in mind that we can only allow up to 10 participants per class.

You will gain knowledge and empowerment that will last a lifetime!

The Diabetes BASICS is a curriculum from the International Diabetes Center in Minneapolis, MN and brought to you by the Ho-Chunk Health Department.

For information, please contact the Diabetes Program Staff at the HCHCC 1-888-685-4422 or 715-284-9851, x5359.

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Community Health Nurse Judy 715-253-3820 or 715-893-3075



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# Tomah Indian Training School

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The Tomah Indian Training School, founded in 1893 by the U.S. government, was built and intended for Ho-Chunk tribal members to become more like "white, middle class Americans", according to a Milwaukee Journal Sentinel article from July 22, 1894. The school opened with six Ho-Chunk students and always saw a large number of Ho-Chunk in the student body. The goal of the federal government and religious missionaries, who funded and founded these schools, was to assimilate native youth into Euro-American culture by taking them away from their families and native ways.

Boarding schools were designed to "kill the Indian and save the man" by forcing natives to learn to read and write English and not speak their native language; with Carlisle Indian School being the model for other boarding schools across the U.S. But even before the boarding school era, struggling colleges, like Harvard and Dartmouth, both are now elite, private Ivy League schools, sought to educate Indian youth of America to raise their funds to keep their schools moving forward. Today, both schools actively recruit Native youth to attend.

Carlisle Indian Industrial School, located in Carlisle, Pennsylvania, saw the likes of students Charles Low Cloud and Jim Thorpe and teachers Angel DeCora and Glen Scobey "Pop" Warner. Low Cloud became a famous Ho-Chunk writer. Thorpe became America's most famous athlete. DeCora became the first Native Arts teacher at Carlisle and a native rights advocate. Pop Warner became the founder of the national youth football organization in America. Carlisle is now a National Historical Landmark.

Scandal surrounds much of the boarding school era. Reports of abuse, mistreatment, and spread of disease among students loom over boarding school campuses. Many former boarding school students say that after this experience they didn't speak their native languages again. It seems the "kill the Indian" portion of that school of thought prevailed, but "save the man" has yet to be addressed after all these years. The problem begins when native people are seen as a problem. Forcing anyone to do something is never good practice; the thought behind Indian boarding schools forcing culture on people from a different culture exemplifies that.

As they say, hell is paved with good intentions. Just as the Dawes Act was intended to help natives earn a livelihood as farmers, again error by the federal government for setting natives' goals for them, boarding schools were intended to help natives get ahead in life. Both were systematic plans of the U.S. government to undermine native people and culture, and were played off as "helping" native people.

Thus was the Indian Act of March 3, 1891, where



Tomah Indian Boarding School on a post-card.

Courtesy of Wayne Kling

the U.S. Congress appropriated \$1,140,000.00 for 29 Indian Boarding Schools. Tomah was selected because it was "near some railroad from which all the reservations may be conveniently reached". I picked up a copy of the Tomah Indian Training School Announcement for 1917-1918 at the Tomah Area Museum and this is what was included in it.

Tomah Indian Training School offers Religious training, social features, music, athletics, and military training. In the Religious training section it reads: *All students large enough to walk to the city are expected to attend Sunday morning services regularly at some church, when weather permits. A social feature: Regular weekly parties are given in the gymnasium "for relaxation and the proper development of full, rounded character". Under Music: Music influences in the religious and social life of the school makes for culture and general harmony. Athletics were offered to center literary and school spirit. For Military training, the school offered a cadet corp that participated in military drill and target practice.*

The 1917-1918 Announcement listed the first six students, all Ho-Chunk, as John Rainbow, James Whitebear, Kate Decorah, and Edward, Frank, and Charles Winneshiek. As school enrollment increased, Indian youth came from other tribes, such as Menominee, Stockbridge, Sioux, Osage, Ottawa, Sac and Fox, Pottawatamie, Cherokee, Chippewa, Oneida, and Brothertown. The school had only seventy-seven graduates during its twenty-four years of operation, enrolling two thousand and ninety-four students overall.

At its largest, the school property was three hundred and eighty acres. *Ten acres were set apart for campus, farmyard, and park, and are ornamented with shade trees, shrubbery and flowering plants. Twenty acres were devoted to gardening; seventy acres for pasturing. A three acre orchard of apple, plum, and cherry trees added much to the dietary of the school.*



Ho-Chunk Nation Housing, is located in what used to be the Tomah Indian School's Main Building.



A stone honors and remembers all the students who attended the school.

The campus covered grades Kindergarten to eighth. The announcement says, "pupils finishing here are well prepared for the high school or business college. Literary work correlated with the industrial, as required by the Commissioner of Indian Affairs." Students received agricultural studies that taught them how to raise horses, hogs, and cattle. They were also taught about draining soil, the application of fertilizers, crop rotation, natural order of rotation, and how to test dairy products. The school had seventy pure breed Holsteins.

In 2003, the Ho-Chunk Nation donated and dedicated a stone to remember the school's space in Ho-Chunk history. The stone, located across the street from the clubhouse of Tomah VA Veterans Golf Course, is placed in a field where students who died while at the school may have been buried. The stone reads: *In honor of all Indian students who attended Tomah Indian School and Whose Lives were Changed Forever 1893-1935.*

## Ho-Chunk Gaming Baraboo develops exclusive beer

Forrest Funmaker  
Staff Writer

This beer is so exclusive, even the tribal membership doesn't know it exists. In an informal poll of the Executive Building a few weeks ago, 10 tribal members were asked if they ever heard of Black Jack Lager as an exclusive Ho-Chunk beer. "You mean it's not Budweiser?" asked Eli Weber, smiling.

If it wasn't stumbled upon through Indian Country Today, this story may have never been told...aye! (Really trying to make it sound like a spy story. Not that exclusive). Ho-Chunk Gaming Baraboo is the only place anyone will find this beer for the time being. It comes with a 22 ounce glass, if you want that or you can just drink it right out of the tap. Geez, really showering up with it.

The following is part of the press release that came out August 5th, 2011.

"Ho-Chunk Gaming's 24-hour gaming house—open 365 days a year for play on slot machines, bingo,

blackjack and more—has now completed renovations on its Spirit Bar at Ho-Chunk Gaming Wisconsin Dells in southern Wisconsin.

The bar's grand opening on Friday, July 22, unveiled the rich woodsy redesign—and the casino's first-ever house brew, "Blackjack Lager."

"Full calorie American lagers are popular amongst our clientele," Summer WhiteEagle, Ho-Chunk Gaming's senior food and beverage manager, said in a press release. "Ho-Chunk wanted to offer its very own house lager. We began researching and speaking with local breweries and after narrowing down our choices, Capital Brewery seemed to be the obvious choice."

The brew is a "sweet, malted barley premium brew containing approximately 4 percent of alcohol," in the words of Kirby Nelson, a brew master at Capital Brewery. "It has a unique flavor that is not too crafty which gives it approachability."

Nelson, a 25-year Capital Brewery veteran, attended the grand opening to "meet and greet" and answer any questions.

The Blackjack Lager logo design was a collaborative effort between Wisconsin Distributors and WhiteEagle. "Blackjack Lager" 22 ounce mugs are available for purchase with the added incentive of discounted pricing on refills with the mug.

It seems this story was never printed in the Worak because they didn't want a bunch of Ho-chunks going down there busting up the joint on the first night. That Kirby Nelson probably would have been beaten up or taken hostage and held for ransom. I can just see it now...they got Kirby in the trunk of an old Buick all tied up and gagged. They've gone through his pockets and found to the keys to Capital Brewery itself. Ok, maybe not...

It seems really funny that this press release wouldn't even be released to tribal

membership for whatever reason. It makes one think, what else is being hidden from the grassroots people? What's wild is that this beer is not at any other venue in the casino itself. It kind of makes a person wonder why they don't open Wo-zha wa during a general council meeting. We could make our money back. William Lowe said he looked for it at the Copper Oak restaurant and they didn't have it.

In further research, Capital Brewery has a beer called Wisconsin Amber that is an American amber/red lager rated number 10/50 on beeradvocate.com. If there's any redirection, it could be this is the real name of the beer being sold as Black Jack Lager.

According to Wikipedia, the word "lager" means to keep cold. In the old days, before 1400, they had to use caves to make their beer. They found through science that special yeast is used to this type of beer. It took over Ales in the late 1800s as a better tasting



Only available at  
Ho-Chunk Gaming  
Baraboo Spirit Bar

brew. People back then liked the lighter taste it had. Some lagers can get up 14% ABV, especially in foreign countries like Germany and Croatia. There are light lagers and dark lagers, yet the brew process for both goes all the way back to Gabriel Sedlmayr and Josef Groll. Now it's not a secret.



# HoCak Youth Camp: Recapturing our roots

Marlon WhiteEagle  
Staff Writer

The Ho-Chunk Nation Youth Services and the Department of Heritage Preservation hosted a five day HoCak Youth Camp to expose Middle School and High School youth to Ho-Chunk language and arts and crafts. On June 18-22, Ho-Chunk Youth converged on Pine View Campground at Fort McCoy. This was the first camp offered by Youth Services and Heritage Preservation.

Lori Pettibone, Youth Services Director-Black River Falls, and Robert Mann, Director of Heritage Preservation, collaborated to offer a well rounded agenda for the camp with the theme: Recapturing Our Roots. Pettibone said, "We want to give you some of the Ho-Chunk culture. Not all of you (youth) are getting culture at home. When I grew, I learned from my grandma (some of the things being offered at camp)."

The camp covered Ho-Chunk language, history, and lands tapping into services offered by Heritage Preservation. The Ho-Chunk Nation Division of Natural Resources covered mapping, wildlife tracking, and water cycles. Sara Hatleli, Director of DNR, said, "Tuesday we went over mapping and orienteering, Wednesday was animal tracks and furs, and Thursday was water cycle and aquatic insects."

The camp organizers also brought in experts on appliqué, basket making, beadwork, and tanning hides. Lucy Hindley taught youth how to make appliqué

bags. Leola Rockman covered basket making, from pounding ash to the finished product. Beadwork was covered by Arielle Hall, who taught youth how to daisychain stitch. Tanning hides was demonstrated by Levi and Verna Blackdeer. Robert Blackdeer presented drumming and singing to the male youth.

The campers were organized into three groups: Group One was made up of students in grades 10-12, Group Two was grades 8-9, and Group Three was the Sixth through Seventh grade campers. Camp started with an early team building exercise; campers set up their own tents. Throughout the week, lights out was at 10:30 pm and campers were getting up with the sunrise. Each morning the campers took a 2.5 mile walk around the campground, followed by breakfast. The groups would rotate from the North, South, and Red pavilion sessions. Cultural Resources presented at the North pavilion, Language was instructed at the South pavilion, and DNR was located at the Red pavilion. There was one morning session and two afternoon sessions. Free time was supervised with the morning options to go swimming, play volleyball, basketball, or go hiking. In the evenings, campers could play games, moccasin, kasu, pinaga and drumming.

Tuesday and Wednesday brought the additional challenge of facing thunder storms and rain. The campers went to the movies in effort to keep dry and seeking shelter. A trip to the bowling



Youth learn about beadwork.



"Camp Tega" Curtis Redbird.

alley was also enjoyed while keeping out of the stormy weather. Not all the campers "wimped out"; Pettibone and three of the youngest campers spend Wednesday night in their tent.

There are eight Youth Services sites: Black River Falls, Wisconsin Dells, La Crosse, Milwaukee, Neokosa, Tomah, Wittenburg, and Madison. Madison was the only Youth Service area not to have participants at the camp. Robin Blackdeer, Director of Youth Services, was instrumental in organizing the camp. At the Parent Night, which allowed the campers' parents to come enjoy a meal and see the projects the kids worked on during the week, Blackdeer announced, "I have secured this site for next year's camp. We'll be back here on June 17-21, 2013."

The camp instituted a "Camp Tega" as the authoritarian and spokesman throughout the week. Curtis Redbird filled the role nicely. When announcements were made, or he needed everyone to listen, he had the campers raise their hand. Eventually, silence was reached as all the campers had their hand raised; then he could make announcements effectively.

Parent night was Thursday night. Parents in attendance were thoroughly impressed.



Language Apprentices give language lessons at the Youth Camp.



Youth learn how to make an appliqué bag.



Youth Service staff and organizers of the HoCak Youth Camp.



Bill Quackenbush presents for Heritage Preservation.

After the meal, "Camp Tega" called for some volunteers. He got a good handful, five to eight volunteers. He had the volunteers stand up and say what they liked or got out of their week at camp. When the volunteers were done, he extended an invitation to other campers to come up and share what they thought of the camp. The next thing you know, the line was about fifteen plus campers wanted to express their thanks and share their enjoyment of the camp. The students overwhelming enjoyed learning language lessons. Language was taught by language apprentices.

Once the campers were done speaking, "Camp Tega"

called for the Youth Services staff to come forward and speak to the youth. All the staff shared their joy of working with and for the youth. The most memorable and positive speeches came from Tomah Youth Worker, Pendleton Price, about staying alcohol and drug free. Price said, "I'm thirty-one years old and haven't had a drop of alcohol or done any drugs. I don't get a badge, a trophy, or money. That achievement is just for me, and no one can take that away. For all the negative stereotypes out there about Indian drinking, there has to be more people like me. I hope that you all can be that person."



# 2012

## Mitchell RedCloud Jr. Day



## 4th of July Pow-Wow

**Andrew Blackhawk Memorial Pow-Wow Grounds**  
5 miles east of Black River Falls on Hwy 54

### Grand Entry at Noon

### Wednesday July 4th



**Meal at 5:00 PM**

**Sponsored by the RedCloud Family**

**Honorarium for Drums & Dancers**

**All Vendors Welcome ★ Free Camping**

The Ho-Chunk Nation, or any event management group is not responsible for personal injury, damage or loss of property. Alcohol, drugs or any illegal substances are forbidden on the property, or any person under the influence of those substances.



# The Bureau of Indian Affairs sets date for General Council Election

Submitted by GCA attorney John Swimmer

On April 16, 2012, Kim Bouchard, Superintendent of the Great Lakes Agency notified the Ho-Chunk Nation that the long awaited Secretarial election has been approved by the Bureau of Indian Affairs. The Election will take place August 14, 2012. Registration notices will be sent out in June. You must register to vote in this Election. If you do not mail in your registration by July 17, 2012, you will not be able to vote. You cannot register to vote on Election day.

GCA is asking tribal citizens for feedback on appointment of the Federal Election Board. GCA appointed a Federal Election Board consisting of members of General Council Agency, the Legislature, and Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board. But the President filed an objection and requested that the Legislature appoint a separate Election Board. The BIA rejected GCA's appointed Board and accepted the Legislature's Federal Election Board. In protest the two General Council Agency members on the Federal Election Board Marvin Decorah, Sr. and Muriel Whiteagle-Lee resigned.

GCA believes that General Council has authority under the Ho-Chunk Nation Constitution to appoint the Federal Election Board under the Ho-Chunk Nation Constitution. Under the Constitution, The People of the Ho-Chunk Nation grant all inherent sovereign powers to the General Council. HCN Const. Art. IV, Sec. 1. The General Council has delegated power to the Legislature to make laws and appropriate funds in accordance with Article VI of the Constitution. But the Constitution is silent regarding appointment of Federal Election Board for General Council Amendments to the Constitution. The Constitution sets forth a list of explicit powers delegated to the Legislature. The Ho-Chunk Nation has separation of power, which provide "No branch of government shall exercise the powers or functions delegated to another branch." The power to appoint a Federal Secretarial Election Board is not one of those powers delegated to the Legislature. Thus, GCA asserts that this is a reserved power for the General Council, and GCA has been given authority through a power of attorney resolution to take all actions necessary to hold a Federal Secretarial Election including the power to appoint a Federal Election Board. Please share your thought will your local GCA Agent as to who you feel should appoint the Federal Election Board.

On another related matter, GCA has been working with the Legislature for the past four years to draft a Memorandum of Understanding addressing the procedures and who has authority to call and hold Secretarial Elections. At a recent meeting, the negotiations regarding the Memo-

randum of Understanding between the Legislature and GCA ended unsuccessfully and no further discussion on the Memorandum of Understanding are planned.

Eight proposed amendments will be on the ballot:

1. Resolution 09-12-09B: To amend the constitution to clarify an ambiguity in the constitution, which provides GCA has authority to supervise GCA employees; it also provides GCA authority to hire, manage, and supervise its own employees.

2. Resolution 09-12-09E: a resolution to limit Legislative term limits to two, four-year terms.

3. Resolution 09-12-09F: a resolution to limit the President to two, four-year terms.

4. Resolution 09-12-09G: a resolution to provide for a Presidential veto that can be overturned by a 2/3rds majority vote.

5. Resolution 09-12-09G: This provides General Council the authority to take enforcement action to ensure that resolutions are timely passed, waives the immunity of the Nation to take cases to the Supreme Court if the Legislature or Executive Branch fails to take action within the timelines provided.

6. Resolution 09-17-05I: a resolution to require the Chief Justice be a member of the Ho-Chunk Nation.

7. Resolution 9-17-05J: a resolution to provide that Trial Court Judges must be elected.

8. Resolution 10-18-11E: a resolution to eliminate the four-year degree requirement.

Here is the full text of the proposed constitutional amendments:

Proposed Amendment A, CONSTITUTION OF THE Ho-Chunk NATION: Proposed Amendment A, would add a new Article IV Section 3(g), delegating authority to the General Council Agency to hire, manage and supervise staff of the General Council Agency. Proposed Article IV Section 3 (g) would read:

ARTICLE IV - GENERAL COUNCIL: Section 3. Powers Retained by the General Council.

(g) General Council Branch delegates authority to General Council Agency to select, hire manage and supervise General Council Branch personnel to accomplish the tasks mandated by General Council.

Proposed Amendment B, CONSTITUTION OF THE Ho-Chunk NATION: Proposed Amendment B, would amend Article V Section 6, to prohibit individual members of the Ho-Chunk Legislature from serving more than two consecutive (4) year terms unless filling a vacancy. Proposed Article V Section 6 would read:

ARTICLE V-LEGISLATURE: Section 6. Terms of Office: Members of the Legislature shall serve four (4) year terms not to exceed two (2) consecutive four (4) year terms, which shall be staggered, unless the Legislator's first term is filling a vacancy under Article IX of Constitution, it will not count as a

term for purposes of this section. Legislators shall represent their respective Districts until their successors have been sworn into office except if the Legislator has been successfully removed or recalled in accordance with this Constitution. Members of the Legislature shall be elected by a majority vote of eligible voters from their respective Districts.

Proposed Amendment C, CONSTITUTION OF THE Ho-Chunk NATION: Proposed Amendment C would amend Article VI Section 5 by prohibiting the President from serving more than two consecutive terms in office. Proposed Article VI Section 5 would read:

ARTICLE VI - EXECUTIVE: Section 5. Term of Office: The President shall serve four (4) year terms not to exceed two (2) consecutive four (4) year terms, which shall be staggered unless the President's first term is filling a vacancy under Article IX of Constitution, it will not count as a term for purposes of this section. The President shall serve until a successor has been sworn into office. The President shall be elected by a majority vote of eligible voters of the Ho-Chunk Nation.

Proposed Amendment D, CONSTITUTION OF THE Ho-Chunk NATION: Proposed Amendment D would amend Article VI Section 2(a) by providing for Presidential veto power over legislative actions within 14 calendar days. The proposed amendment would also amend Article V Section 2 by adding a new subsection (y) to authorize the Legislature to override a Presidential veto by with a 2/3 majority vote. Proposed Article VI Section 2(a) and Article V Section 2(y) would read:

ARTICLE VI - EXECUTIVE: Section 2(a). To execute and administer the laws of the Ho-Chunk Nation, including the right to veto within fourteen (14) calendar days any action of the Legislature unless overturned by the Legislature pursuant to Article V Section 2(y). The President cannot retroactively veto Legislation passed before enactment of this Amendment.

ARTICLE V - LEGISLATURE: Section 2(y). The Legislature may overturn any Presidential Veto, by a 2/3 supermajority vote. The Legislature must exercise its veto within fourteen calendar days (14) after the President notifies the Legislature of the veto. The President shall serve notice of the veto to the Vice-President and in the absence of the Vice-President notice will be provided to the full Legislature by placing the veto on the agenda under New Business at the next legislative meeting.

Proposed Amendment E, CONSTITUTION OF THE Ho-Chunk NATION: Proposed Amendment E would amend Article XII Section I and Article IV Section 3(a), to provide for enforcing policies of the General Council by waiving the Ho-Chunk

Nations immunity from suits brought by the General Council against the Legislature, officials and employees of the Executive Branch. Proposed Article XII Section I and Article IV Section 3(a) would read:

ARTICLE XII - SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY: Section 1. Immunity of Nation from Suit. The Ho-Chunk Nation shall be immune from suit except to the extent that the Legislature expressly waives its sovereign immunity, and officials and employees of the Ho-Chunk Nation acting within the scope of their duties or authority shall be immune from suit. Except suits brought in Article IV Section 3(a).

ARTICLE IV - GENERAL COUNCIL: Section 3. Powers Retained by the General Council: (a) The General Council retains the power to set policy for the Nation. This policy shall be resolutions proposed and approved at Annual Meetings and Special Meetings, by a majority vote of the qualified voters of the Ho-Chunk Nation General Council. This policy shall be made into laws, including codes, ordinances, resolutions and statutes by the Legislative Branch of the Ho-Chunk Nation within forty-five (45) days after a majority vote of the qualified voters of the Ho-Chunk Nation General Council at Annual Meetings and Special Meetings. The Executive Branch shall enforce this policy within sixty (60) days of the majority vote of the qualified voters of the Ho-Chunk Nation General Council. In the event that this policy is not enacted by the Legislative Branch or enforced by the Executive Branch within fifteen (15) days of the aforementioned deadlines, the Ho-Chunk Nation General Council shall file suit in the Ho-Chunk Nation Tribal Court against elected officials of the Ho-Chunk Nation branch of government. The Supreme Court of the Ho-Chunk Nation shall have original jurisdiction within fifteen (15) days of filing date of suit.

Proposed Amendment F, CONSTITUTION OF THE Ho-Chunk NATION: Proposed Amendment F would amend Article VII Section 8(a) to add a requirement that the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court be a member of the Ho-Chunk Nation. Proposed Article VII Section 8(a) would read:

ARTICLE VII - JUDICIARY: Section 8. Qualifications. (a) The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court shall be at least forty (40) years old, an attorney admitted to practice in any State and before the Ho-Chunk courts, a member of the Ho-Chunk Nation, and shall possess all qualifications required by enactment of the Legislature. No person convicted of a felony shall serve as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court unless pardoned.

Proposed Amendment G, CONSTITUTION OF THE Ho-Chunk NATION: Proposed Amendment G would

amend Article VII Section 11 to add a requirement that the Trial Court Judges will be elected by the members rather than appointed by the Legislature and must be members of the Ho-Chunk Nation.

The amendment also removes the current Legislative authority to appoint Trial Court Judges in Article VII Section 9. Proposed Article VII Section 11 would read:

ARTICLE VII - JUDICIARY: Section 9. The Chief Judge and Associate Judges of the Trial Court shall be

appointed by the Legislature to serve for three (3) year staggered terms and until their successors have been sworn into office.

Section 11. Appointment of Trial Court Judges. The Legislature shall appoint a Chief Judge and Associate Judges to the Trial Court. Election of Trial Court Judges. The Chief Trial Judge and any Associate Judges to the Trial Court shall be elected by a majority vote of the eligible voters of the Ho-Chunk Nation in accordance with the General Election provisions in Article VIII Section 1, unless otherwise provided. All candidates shall be a member of the Ho-Chunk Nation. Trial Judges shall serve staggered four (4) year terms and shall serve until a successor has been sworn into office except if the Trial Court Judge has been successfully recalled or removed. In the event a Trial Court Justice is removed, the Legislature may appoint an Interim Trial Court Judge, until a successor has been sworn into office.

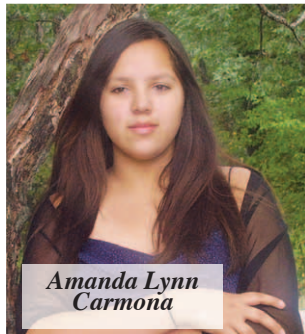
Proposed Amendment H, CONSTITUTION OF THE Ho-Chunk NATION: Proposed Amendment H would change current Article V Section 7, including the language from Amendment V of the Ho-Chunk Nation Constitution, by removing a constitutional requirement that Legislators possess a four year baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution of higher education. Proposed Article V Section 7 would read:

ARTICLE V - LEGISLATURE: Section 7. Qualifications: Members of the Legislature shall be at least twenty five (25) years old and eligible to vote, and shall possess a four year baccalaureate degree conferred by an accredited institution of higher education. No person shall become a member of the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature if otherwise employed by the Ho-Chunk Nation. No person convicted of a felony shall serve as a Legislator unless pardoned.

Look for future correspondence and details regarding the Secretarial Election from the Federal Election Board. Additional information on how to register and vote will be posted in the Worak and mailed directly to tribal members.

If you have any questions or would like a copy of the resolutions please contact the General Council Agency.





**Amanda Lynn  
Carmona**

**Wisconsin Dells High School**  
Will be attending UW Baraboo  
Parents: Ellen Duma and Jose Carmona



**Ariana Jade Bourdon  
Sanehuiga**

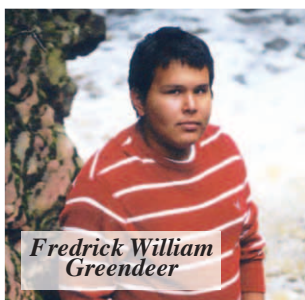
**Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School**  
in Wittenberg, WI.

Parents: April La Mere & Scott Bourdon  
Future Endeavors: After going to Europe with the WI. Ambassadors of Music, I will be attending UW-Stevens Point in the Fall to further my education. There are not enough words to express how thankful I am to have the family and friends I have.  
Thank you to my Mom, April for pushing me that extra mile.



**Brece Corbesia**

8th Grade promotion from  
**Lac du Flambeau Public School** will be attending Lakeland Union High School in Minocqua, WI. Brece received the Presidential Award for Educational Excellence (2012) outstanding academic excellence. Future Endeavors: Brece's future goal is to attend the UM-Twin Cities.



**Fredrick William  
Greendeer**

**Hayward High School, Hayward, WI**  
Parents: Mary Tribble and Fredrick K. Greendeer  
Future Endeavors: Going to UW-Stout for Sociology and Anthropology



**Manners Rain Whiteagle  
Wakaja Pi**

**James Madison Memorial High School**  
Madison, WI

Future Endeavors: Manners is going to attend Madison College, join R.O.T.C. and continue his studies at the University of Wisconsin. He would like to join the U.S. Army after he completes his Bachelor's Degree and become a Psychologist.



**Brianna Breeze  
Hernandez (Greengrass)**

**West Salem High School**

Parents: Michael Greengrass and Heather Branday, granddaughter of Marcella Patton (Greengrass)  
Future Endeavors: Brianna plans on going to UW-Madison in the fall for Health Field studies



**Crystal Marie  
Yellowcloud**

**Kansas High School in Kansas, OK.**  
Niece of Michael and Elaine Sawey of Kansas, OK. Daughter of the late Donald Lee Yellowcloud Jr. of Black River Falls, WI. "I want to thank all the family that made the trip to Oklahoma to attend my graduation. I plan to attend Northeastern State University's excellent Social Services Program, in order to become a Social Worker."



**Dakota Joseph  
Blackdeer**

**Mauston High School, Mauston, WI.**  
Parents: Clifford and Tammy Blackdeer  
Future Endeavors: Dakota will be attending Southwest Technical College in Fennimore WI this fall for his Associates Degree in Agricultural Power & Equipment Technician. We are proud of you! Love: Dad & Mom



**Kenneth Dorn  
Waukau**

**Mauston High School, Mauston, WI.**  
Parents: Daryl & Kimberly (DeCora)

Waukau  
Future Endeavors: Kenneth will be attending UW-Platteville for Civil Engineering and to play baseball for the Pioneers.



**Danika Autumn  
Decorah**

**Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School**  
on June 2, 2012. She is the daughter of Stacey Schreiber and Brian Decorah, granddaughter of Ellen & Duane Schreiber and Bonnie (Decorah) & Terry Tech. Her great-grandparents were Lucille Bear Chief and Leslie Decorah Sr. Danika graduated with a 3.0 GPA and participated in 3 sports all four years of high school. She will attend the College of Menominee Nation this Fall. She plans to transfer to either UW-Green Bay or UW-Oshkosh after one year to pursue a Bachelor's Degree in TV Broadcasting & Journalism. Congratulations Danika & good luck in your future endeavors!



**Elijah Corbesia**

**Lakeland Union High School**  
Minocqua, WI

Future Endeavors: Elijah plans to attend Nicolet College (Rhinelander, WI) and then focus on a music career at the McNally Smith College of Music



**Fabian Patrick  
Houghton**

**Wisconsin Dells High School**  
Parent: Patty Houghton  
Future Endeavors: Fabian will be attending UW-Milwaukee in the fall. Your family is so proud of you and wish you the best!!



**Hera Jane Lonetree-Rindahl**

**Chippewa Valley Technical School**  
Associates Degree in AODA  
(Alcohol and other drug)

Recently was hired at the JCCIP (Jackson County Corrections Challenge Incarceration Program) in Black River Falls as a counselor. We'd like to say congratulations and let everyone know that we are very proud of her, and also wish her the best of luck in her new career!  
From Dakota, Coreen, Marshall, Lawrence, Cedela and Dahlia



**Jack Keenan**

**Sauk Prairie High School**  
Will be going to UW Stevens Point in the fall, majoring in Fine Arts.  
Parents: Chris Keenan, Lori Schaefer.  
Grandmother: Irene Keenan.



**Joshua Keith Decorah**

**Marshfield Senior High School**  
Marshfield, WI

Parents: Connie and Scott Lokken  
Future Endeavors: Plans are UW-Stevens Point, teaching degree.



**Layla  
Buffalo-Mike**

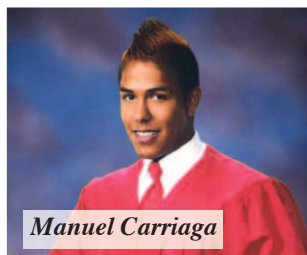
**Metropolitan Learning Center**  
Valedictorian

Future Endeavors: In the fall she will be dual enrolled at Portland State University and Portland Community College where she will be studying Pre-Nursing. She has made her family and friends so Proud.



**Kirsten A. McKee**

**Holmen High School in Holmen, WI.**  
Kirsten lives in Dodge Center, MN.  
Parents: Carl and Heather McKee, the Great Granddaughter of Rhoda Rave of Black River Falls, WI, granddaughter of Pat and Val Bartlett of Dodge Center, MN, and granddaughter of Leona McKee of Black River Falls.  
Future Endeavors: Kirsten has started at Rochester School of Hair Design in Rochester, MN.

**Manuel Carriaga**

**Riverside Indian School, Anadarko, OK**  
Parent: Vanessa Carriaga from Black River Falls, WI.  
Future Endeavors: Manuel will be attending Haskell Jr. College in Kansas.

**Jessica Mariah Nakai**

**Riverside Indian School**  
Anadarko, OK

**Rosa Gloria Perez**

**Beloit Memorial High School**  
Beloit, WI

Future Endeavors: Plans to attend college in La Crosse or Whitewater 2013.  
Proud parents are Ramiro and Gloria (Decorah) Perez.

A big congratulations to our little White Butterfly!  
Love always, mom & dad

**Kennedi**

**Congratulations**  
Kennedi 3.89 gpa  
We are proud of you  
Love, Bro's, Sis's, Gagas & Mom

**Nathan Bird**

**Black River Falls High School**  
Life is a choice, decisions you make determine your life. "Do not follow where the path may lead. Go, instead, where there is no path and leave a trail." ~Ralph Waldo Emerson~  
Love your family, "pride" an awesome thing and that's what we have for you....

**Spring Marleya Sunflower Winneshiek**  
*Xawi hoxere wi "Flower"*

**Wisconsin Dells High School**  
Parent: Leah Winneshiek  
Future Endeavors: Spring plans on attending MATC for Photography

**Melina Scheurich**

**Logan High School, La Crosse, WI**  
Future endeavors: Melina will be attending Viterbo College  
Parent: the late Jennifer Carrimon

**Sophia Lemieux**

**Wipamanker'da Head Start, Wittenberg, WI**  
Parents: Sheyenne & Eric Lemieux of Wittenberg, grandparents: Thomas & Alison Ball of Eugene, OR., Judith Buffalo of Nekoosa, WI., Earl & Jaclyn Lemieux of Wisconsin Rapids, WI. and Great Grandmother Vivena Lemieux of Wisconsin Rapids, WI., Great Grandfather Gerald Patterson of Menominee Falls.  
Future Endeavors: She will be attending Kindergarten next school year in Birnamwood. Sophia would like to be a dentist when she grows up, she would like to work on Princess' teeth.

**Mikalah Trickle**

**Lincoln High School**  
Wisconsin Rapids, WI with honors  
Parents: Carolyn Thompson & Dennis Trickle  
Future Endeavors: attend Marian University in fall for Radiology Technician

**Trenton Hawke Littlegeorge**

**Tomah High School**  
Future Endeavors: His plans include working on his "Bucket List", and will leave for basic training September for the Navy.  
Parents: Ken Littlegeorge Jr. and Jessi Cleveland

**Wyatt Araiza**

**Pardeeville High School**  
He has enlisted with the United States Marine Corps and leaves for Boot Camp on July 8, 2012. After completing his training he will be joining his brother PFC Kyle Holick in the Corps.  
He is the son of Michelle Holick & Steve Pulvermacher and the grandson of Roger Thundercloud.

**Ruby Lee Bigjohn**

**Neen-Chunk-Gra Headstart**  
Parents: Patty Houghton & Adam Bigjohn  
Future Endeavors: will be attending Kindergarten at the West Elementary School in Baraboo in the fall.

**Stewart J. Miller**

**Master of Science in Project Management**  
**University of Wisconsin—Platteville**

**Winona Stevens**

**Masters Degree in Social Work**  
**University of Washington**  
She also graduated Cum Laude with a BA in Social Welfare and AAS with Honors from Northwest Indian College.  
Thank you!  
My parents are Justine Whitegull Archer and James R. Fortner, my grandparents are Irene Whitegull Rave, Murray Whitegull, James R. Fortner Sr., and Mary Person.

**Vanity Hutton**

**Rochester School of Hair Design**  
in Rochester, MN. Vanity resides in Dodge Center, MN and is the Great Granddaughter of Rhoda Rave of Black River Falls, WI, granddaughter of Pat and Val Bartlett of Dodge Center, MN.  
Vanity is the daughter of Heather McKee.

**Jayce Kenneth WhiteEagle**

**Puzaki Pei Cinak**  
in Black River Falls, WI.  
Great-Grandparents: Patricia & George Youngthunder  
Grandparent: Theresa Youngthunder  
Parent: Kristin WhiteEagle  
Future Endeavors: attending Black River Falls Kindergarten in the fall.

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# Grandfathers, Fathers, Son Day

Marlon WhiteEagle  
Staff Writer

On June 16, the Ho-Chunk Nation Domestic Violence Program sponsored a Grandfather, Father, Son Event at the Indian Heights for some pre Father's Day activities. The event was a time for fathers and sons to spend some "quality" time together on Father's Day weekend. The agenda was full of activities, food, and a guest speaker, Bernard Stevens.

The event started in the Indian Heights "Community Building" with introductions, a snapshot of the day, and a prayer from Joseph WhiteEagle, AODA Counselor from the House of Wellness. The first activity was a father/son team foot race. The teams slipped on foam skis, with someone in the front foot position, holding front position ropes/handles, and the other team member at the rear of the skis, and raced around an obstacle. It was a key strategy for the team to coordinate and step in unison if they wanted to progress. One false move could cause the team to go down, and some did.

The next activities were more individual skill activities. The "Stacking Apples" event had participants building a tower of apples. The first round saw, Joe WhiteEagle, Denis Rockman, Larry Waube, and myself stacking five apples high. The tower apple builders would start with the bigger apples to start out with, then look at the top and bottom of the apple to see which were more even; that makes them easier to stack.



Guest speaker, Bernie Stevens tells his story to Grandfather, Father, Son participants.

Sometimes putting the apple stem-side down also made it easier to stack, with the heavier half of the apple at the bottom. The final round saw all, but me, unable to stack more than five and had the stack collapsed as time expired. In the end, I won the event.

The next activity was the "Pull All Tissue from a Tissue Box" event. Joe WhiteEagle started the event to demonstrate to the kids what the event was all about. Each tissue was to be pulled out of the tissue box one

at a time until the box was empty. Joe finished in thirty-four seconds. Subsequently, the children attempted, but could not break the standing thirty-four second time. Enter Waube, Rockman, and myself: I started with a "wowing" twenty-two second time. Next up, Rockman shattered my twenty-two second time with an impressive sixteen point zero four. Finally, Waube bested Rockman with a "sub sixteen" time of fifteen point five six. Waube won the Pull the Tissue out of the Box event.

The Kickball game seemed to be the highlight activity, with everyone participating in the game. The game put the children, and some parents, against the organizers and more parents. The kickball was an extra large rubber ball, resembling an exercise ball. The kids worked up a successful strategy; they would kick a grounder and run fast. They saw the oversized ball as cumbersome to throw out a base runner. They also saw that the ball was very catchable. The kids were victorious over the parents/organizers.

After lunch, the group sat to listen to the guest speaker Bernie Stevens, a Social Worker from Lincoln Hills Juvenile Detention Center. Stevens is from the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin and has more than twenty years of experience in social work. He talked about his own childhood, his experience as a social worker, and opened his talk up for discussion.

Stevens grew up with a step father and a foster father. He shared a story of a time his stepfather disabled the family

car while he went away at work. Stevens remembers his stepfather teaching him about automotive repairs and working with him for hours on end. On this particular day, Stevens and his brother watched as their stepfather pulled off the vehicle's distributor cap. Their mother wanted to go visit family and take care of some errands, but she couldn't start the car. That's when Stevens and his brother used their automotive skills to get the car running. When their mother returned, she parked the car in the same



The Parent Team in a losing effort against the Kid Team during a competitive game of Kickball.



Bernie Stevens speaks to event participants.

spot and they undid what they fixed. He said they also cleared the dirt driveway of evidence that the car was moved. Stevens said it was times like this that he knew things weren't right.

Years later, Stevens made amends with his stepfather. He remembers the time they sat around talking while his wife and mother took a trip to town. Stevens said, "My stepfather said Bernie, I did the best I could at the time." Stevens remembers thinking to himself, "Why couldn't you have told me these things years ago?" He said they hugged one another, cried, and things have been better ever since. He said the type of thing occurred with his foster father. He said he learned a lot and in the end, only took the positive things with him into his adulthood.

Looking outwardly, he posed the rhetorical question to the fathers, asking "What kind of person do you want to be in five years?" Stevens noted that in the process of self improvement, the hardest thing to do is ask for help. He said, "Men are taught to be strong, and asking for help makes people feel weak. You can make improvements when you come from your heart. Native men are always competitive. It seems we are losing our warrior spirit." Stevens believes learning to be a "man" is a lifelong process and humbling yourself to the creator only



Joe WhiteEagle Jr. takes his turn at the "Pull tissues from the Box" event where one must pull all the tissue from the box in the shortest amount of time.



Storm WhiteEagle attempts to stack apples, while Joe WhiteEagle Jr. and Johnny "Mama" Cornelius look on and Angela Smith keeps her eye on the time clock.

makes things easier along the way.

Stevens said he remembers being around his drunk uncles. He said, "They used to be drunk and say It's hard to be an Indian. The white man took our land (and all that). But I looked at what natives call themselves in their own language. It's usually a word meaning the people, the human beings, etc. So looking back at what my drunken uncles were saying; I think they were saying it's hard to be human."

In conclusion, Stevens thanked everyone for a day full of fun. He said, "The work I do is hard. It's a tough situation. I talk with boys who are having a hard time. I

always remember I'm talking to someone's son, grandson, or brother. I always see a "little Bernie" sitting there, because I grew up just like them. I tell them there's good in you. We all start our good and something happens to land us a tough spot."

Stevens said days like today are my fun days. We got to play games, do activities, and had a good game of kickball.

Although the event didn't have the big turn out the organizers hoped for, fun was had by all. Everyone received a camouflage t-shirt and a door prize. Cyrus Greendeer was the biggest winner; taking home a Wii gaming system.



# HCRTF holds community forum in Dells

Forrest Funmaker  
Staff Writer

The Ho-Chunk Constitutional Reform Task Force held its first community forum down in Dells. They planned for 40 tribal members to show up and provided door prizes for each participant. Even though there weren't a lot of people that showed up. The task force itself got an idea of what the community is thinking about in relation to the HCN Constitution.

Gloria White Thunder provided a lot of insight since she had extensive experience with the WWBC and the 1994 template IRA Constitution the Nation runs on now. "It seems our people run by commonsense, that's why you won't see too many coming out to these events that deal too much with white man stuff."

Elder Morgan White Eagle showed up later and provided some overview of what he thought was important. He said, "I know this group has come to traditional court to see if we wanted to be included with the constitution. I don't know where that stands now, but they respected the process. I just wanted to come here and say what they're doing is a good thing. I support them."

Paul Krause, Chair, provided an overview of HCRTF's history. He spoke about how the group came together in 2008 and what were some of the first things that needed to be done. "It's been a challenge to examine the present constitution and see how much culture and language may fit throughout the process or document. At times, we feel we are way behind other nations in the United States; however, some other nations are looking to us for guidance now. They want to see how we will

do this."

Gloria Visitin provided information on how language can be integrated with the current constitution to either be considered a bilingual document or totally translated into Ho-chunk. She went through the difficulty trying to relate what was meant in English and how that might be interpreted back into Ho-Chunk. Gloria White Thunder spoke about the language problem that now exists between all areas. "Those people say it this way, while we might say it different way. Then all of sudden there seems to be this part of which way is the right way then? Yeah, you can say it like, but then you can say like this as well."

One participant said, "If you want this to go, you might have to sit down with everyone in one on one sessions so that you get everyone's perspective. I know it's going to be expensive, but you guys might want to consider that as an option for everyone to sign off on these changes that are being proposed."

"During the last Administration, the President and Vice President were both going to be recalled," said Myrna Thompson. "The question we have to deal with is then who takes over in that situation. Is there someone from Legislature or someone from the Executive Branch? The constitution doesn't spell that out and those are questions we need to clarify with this group."

Christine Jendrisak then talked about some of the enrollment issues that came up last year at the General Council and how this type of voting shouldn't be done at the General Council. It should be argued in a court of law rather than coming before a mob rules situation. Otherwise we're going to get the water works every time and who can stand that? I want to take of business and these should be removed from ever coming to General Council."

Matt Mullen and Roger Thundercloud talked at some length about the upcoming Secretarial Elections that will happen in August. The points they wanted to make specific were that GCA was able to clear the board of all outstanding resolutions, except for one, to be put forth in this secretarial election. That the Secretarial Election will only count on the following conditions: Of those registered to vote in July, 30% will actually have to vote by August 14th, 2012 either for or against any of the eight resolutions being voted on. If not, that resolution will remain either enacted or not enacted.

They also said this will be interesting to see how many people do get to vote in July because it won't be the same as the voice of General Council that decided on these resolutions in the first place. Last time it was only like 430 people voted on the four resolutions and that doesn't compare to those who



Paul Krause with Patricia Reyes in her new Pendleton.



Paul Krause with JoAnn Baker and her cool IPOD.

voted for these resolutions to go secretarial election. It takes General Council out of the equation and whole idea of one person, one vote

White Thunder commented about changing the voting procedures so we don't have to spend \$56,000 plus or minus per election. "Why don't we do the research to use those alternative forms of voting you're talking about whether on computer or smart phone? The communication and technology have improved since voting by hand...we should make it easier on ourselves and use it wherever we can." A big thanks went to everyone who played a part in the day, especially Anna Reichenbach with her great tasting pork hock and bean soup...soul food.



Paul Krause with Carly Greendeer and her new XBOX Kinect System.

## Crabapple tree dedicated in memory of John Cloud

Marlon WhiteEagle  
Staff Writer

On Father's Day 2012, the Ho-Chunk Nation, Ho-Chunk Gaming-Wisconsin Dells & Wittenburg, and the Cloud family dedicated a plaque and crabapple tree in memory of John Sherman Cloud in the courtyard of the Ho-Chunk Hotel. Ho-Chunk Gaming-Wisconsin Dells is located on the site of Chief Cloud Indian Village, which was cultural attraction for Wisconsin Dells tourists in the late 1970s to the early 1980s. Chief Cloud Village was owned and operated by the Edward and Ruth Cloud family.

Paul Cloud served as the Cloud family spokesman for the dedication event, sharing the family history as it related to the location. John Cloud was instrumental in securing the land through grant money. He wrote about how the village would benefit all the Ho-Chunk people. Chief Cloud Indian Village had a nature trail that explained how Ho-Chunk grew corn, and served as shop for selling Ho-Chunk beadwork and baskets. The village also had a building that resembled a tipi, which was designed by Owen Cloud.

The plaque was provided by the Ho-Chunk Gaming Wisconsin Dells and the tree was donated by Ho-Chunk Gaming-Wittenburg. The crabapple tree blooms in late April or early May, and is usually in bloom around John's birthday, May 9.

Heather Cloud, John's daughter and current District III, read a

paper she wrote as a college student titled, Spawning Tourism. The paper is about how Ho-Chunks have historically been a draw to the Wisconsin Dells area tourism. She writes about the struggles of Edward and Ruth to get the Chief Cloud Indian Village going under the tutelage of Mr. John Kinsman. Kinsman was a prominent member of the Catholic Church and resident of the Wisconsin Dells area. Ruth Cloud remembered selling baskets roadside of Highway 12 along with other Ho-Chunk women at the prices they wanted. The family would dance for tourist at Fort Dells and at the Stand Rock Indian Ceremonial to raise money. Cloud wrote, "When it came time to purchase the land, Edward and Ruth went to a local realtor in Baraboo. Upon their return, they explained that the land would not be sold to them. They were never given a reason as to why they were denied." Mr. Kinsman went to the same realtor and bought the land, and sold it to Edward and Ruth two days later.

Cloud also wrote, "Mr. Kinsman even talked about how everyone was so proud of my dad when he graduated high school, because many people at that time didn't reach this milestone in their life." John Cloud used his high school education to write and apply for the grants to keep the Chief Cloud Indian Village going, and later, to help expand the bingo hall into the casino it is today. Cloud explained, "My choka fell ill and my gag couldn't



Monica Cloud stands next to the tree and plaque dedicated to her late husband, John Cloud.

keep up with the taxes and leased the land to a local corporation. The Cloud family still had say over the land and informed the Ho-Chunk Nation that the land was for sale. They sold the land for the cost of back taxes plus \$1.00. Upon receipt of the newly acquired land, the Wisconsin Winnebago Business Committee had a place to start generating income for the Nation as a whole. The WWBC

opened up the Smoke Shop. Later, the WWBC opened up the Bingo Hall. From that point the Nation has flourished to the enterprise it is today."

The Cloud family presented gifts to Bridget Morris, she and her husband John Morris were great friends of John Cloud. An honor song was sung. John's family and friends were on hand during the dedication and presentation of gifts.



# Ho-Chunk Gaming continues to support local Relay for Life

Submitted by Tris Harris, Senior Manager-Public Relations, Ho-Chunk Gaming- Black River Falls has answered the call to step up and stomp out cancer by signing on as a corporate sponsor for the Monroe County Relay for Life event that was held on June 8, 2012 at the Tomah High School. This year's donation of \$2,500 marks the fourth year in a row that Ho-Chunk Gaming has supported this event.

Relay for Life is the American Cancer Society's main volunteer cancer fundraising event which has spread to over 20 countries worldwide. Each of these local events share a common worldwide objective to raise awareness, celebrate survivors, remember those who have lost their battles with cancer and to fight as a community against the spread of this disease.

Greg Garvin, Executive Manager of Ho-Chunk

Gaming Black River Falls/Tomah, stated "Knowing how cancer effects so many of our family, co-workers, friends and community members each year, we couldn't possibly turn down the opportunity to team up with our neighbors again to 'Celebrate, Remember and Fight Back' against this disease."

Pam Kasper, our Human Resource representative spoke at the opening ceremony on behalf of Ho-Chunk Gaming-Black River Falls/Tomah and shared her family's history of loss to this terrible disease and her mother's fight with it currently as well as a close friend with small children. She went on to say "Through the Relay for Life Event... they are making strides to providing more birthdays and getting us that much closer to finding a cure for cancer so one day we won't have to hear the horrible words YOU HAVE CANCER."

The money donated from Ho-Chunk Gaming Black



HCG-BRF, Executive Manager Greg Garvin; HCG-BRF, Sr. Manager Public Relations Tris Harris; Am. Cancer Society Midwest Rep. Justine Johnson and HCG-BRF, H.R. Specialist Pamela Kasper.

River Falls along with the other funds collected through this event will be used as research grants, as well as aid for prevention, detection and

treatment programs. The relay for life event will take place on Friday June 8, 2012 at the Tomah Senior High School for more information about

this event or another relay for life event contact Justine Johnson at 608-783-5001 ext. 102.

## Employees of Ho-Chunk Gaming Black River Falls donate the gift of life

Submitted by Tris Harris, Senior Manager-Public Relations, Ho-Chunk Gaming

On May 16, 2012, employees of Ho-Chunk Gaming Black River Falls came together to give the gift of life. HCG-BRF hosted a blood drive within their bingo hall through the Blood Center of Wisconsin. Employees stepped up to the call of action to provide their fellow neighbors the gift that keeps on giving. The collection total for the day's drive was 58 units of blood donated according to the Blood Center of Wisconsin. We were also able to donate platelets and double red cells!

We had a total of over 45 employees already preregister for their opportunity to donate blood before the Blood Center even arrived on site and many more calls coming throughout the day of interested donors inquiring about giving. Executive Manager of HCG-

BRF, Greg Garvin was proud to see the willingness of the employees to support the blood drive and meet and exceed their goal of over 50 units!

Every three seconds, someone in the United States needs blood. You may not see their faces but these people are real whether they are a new mother that had complications during birth to the chemotherapy patient that is struggling through radiation treatment, these people need your help and there is no substitute.

The blood drive is open to the public however most of the donors were employees of the casino. HCG-BRF is planning on hosting another blood drive on September 19, 2012, so if you missed your chance to be part of this worthy cause, please be sure to visit us at that time to give your support.

## ELDER LAW IN INDIAN COUNTRY:

A CONFERENCE FOR TRIBAL ELDERS AND THE PEOPLE WHO CARE ABOUT THEM

August 14-15, 2012

Stoney Creek Inn & Conference Center  
1100 Imperial Avenue  
Rothschild, WI 54474

Hosted by Wisconsin Judicare's Indian Law Office, Wausau, WI

August 14, 2012		August 15, 2012	
7:30-9:00 a.m.	Breakfast	7:30-9:00 a.m.	Breakfast
9:00-12 p.m.	Seminars	9:00-12 p.m.	Seminars
12:00-1:30 p.m.	Lunch & Speaker	12-2:00 p.m.	Lunch & Speaker
1:30-4:00 p.m.	Seminars	2 p.m.	Closing
6-9 p.m.	Dinner		

**Topics Include:** Medicare, Medicaid, Social Security, Badger Care, Wills, Power of Attorney for Health Care, Current Indian Law Issues, and Veteran Benefits.

**Attending the conference is free** but limited to 200 registrants. All meals are provided. Registration starts June 18th. **Register by calling Mary Jo at Wisconsin Judicare at 1-800-472-1638.**

**Hotel rooms are available and will cost \$30 per person for both nights.** Seven rooms per tribe will be allocated at this reduced rate. **This reduced rate is for elders only.** If interested ask for details when you register. **Note:** Rooms are double or triple occupancy so please consider sharing a room with a friend or relative so more elders can take advantage of the reduced rate. **Room requests must be made by July 20<sup>th</sup>.**

To register and/or request a hotel room **CALL** Mary Jo at Wisconsin Judicare at 1-800-472-1638 **starting June 18<sup>th</sup>.**

Judicare's Indian Law Office's Native American Elders Outreach Project, has sponsored this conference with financial assistance, in whole, through a grant from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, the Federal Medicare Agency.





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### **FREE Estate Planning and Will Drafting**

Matt Underwood, under the supervision of Attorney David Armstrong, will be able to meet with Ho-Chunk members until July 18, 2012.

You should have a will if:

- You are over 18
- You have, or may acquire, trust land, non-trust land, or other property
- You have children or step-children under 18
- You want to leave property to someone not related by blood
- You want to leave income to a non-Indian spouse
- You want to stop further fractionation of your land.

*\*\*If you pass away without a will, state and federal law will determine who will receive your property. To make sure your property passes according to your wishes, you should make a will.\*\**

For more information, please contact Matt Underwood at  
 Matt.Underwood@Ho-Chunk.com or call 920-288-2010.

## CHILD WELLNESS/ YOUTH PHYSICAL DAYS

CALL TO RESERVE AN APPOINTMENT  
 Ho-Chunk HEALTH CARE CENTER 888-685-4422 or  
 HOUSE OF WELLNESS CLINIC 888-559-5249

DURING THIS TIME

**Thursday, 7/12/12 from 1:00 P.M. until closing**

WIAA Sports/ Extracurricular Physicals & Head Start and Kindergarten Physicals  
*What should I bring with to my child's physical appointment:*  
 -correct physical forms required by your particular school  
 -any immunization records you may have for your child  
 -any medication administration forms your school requires (if needed)  
 -write down any questions you may have regarding your child's health and development so you remember to ask provider at your appointment  
 -athletic permit card for sports physicals  
 Please remember that the parent or guardian needs to be present for these appointments.

### ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS Ho-Chunk Nation Gaming - Tomah, Wisconsin **Generator Replacement Project**

#### **TIME AND PLACE FOR BIDDING**

Notice is hereby given by the Ho-Chunk Nation Gaming, Tomah, Wisconsin that it will receive separate sealed bids for the Ho-Chunk Gaming Casino Generator Replacement Project.

**Until 2:00 P.M., Friday, July 20, 2012, via mail/hand delivery to:**  
 Ho-Chunk Nation Dept. of Business

Attn: Angie Waage

W9814 Airport Road, PO BOX 667, Black River Falls, WI 54615

Bids will be publicly opened in the HCN Department of Business and read by the undersigned at that time and date.

#### **DESCRIPTION OF WORK**

The project will consist of an **addition to the existing masonry utility building** behind the Casino Facility for the generator control equipment, rework of the existing generator and an additional new generator. The new generator will be sited to the east of the existing generator inside a prefabricated enclosure. The addition work will include masonry foundation attached to the existing structure, masonry exterior insulated walls, concrete slab, precast roof planks, single ply membrane roof.

Electrical generator related work will include providing a **300kW diesel generator** for standby electrical service to the existing gaming building and fire pump. The existing 125kW diesel generator, which is undersized to handle the existing buildings and fire pump, will be maintained to provide standby electrical service to the existing convenience store only. A **new 600 amp, 480/277V, 3-phase electrical utility service** will be provided for the gaming building and fire pump to replace the 480/277 V load fire pump. This will require an **additional transformer to go to the 208/120V load** of the casino building and the water pump side of pump house. Currently, the 2000 amp panel existing in-house distribution load center; a **new 200 amp, 208/120V, 3-phase electrical utility service** will be provided for the convenience store. A **stand-alone building will be constructed** adjacent to the existing Fire Pump/Water Purification building to house the new distribution and associated transfer switches, etc. A **separate stand-alone enclosure** will be constructed adjacent to the existing 125kW generator to house the new 300kW generator.

#### **BIDDING DOCUMENTS**

The Contract Documents will be available to Bidders on Friday, June 29, 2012 after 3:00 p.m. All General Contractors who will submit a Bid are required to obtain a copy of the Contract Documents.

Complete digital project bidding documents are available at [www.becherhoppe.com](http://www.becherhoppe.com) or [www.questcdn.com](http://www.questcdn.com). You may download the digital plan documents for \$10.00 by inputting Quest project # 2130316. Please contact QuestCDN.com at 952-233-1632 or [info@questcdn.com](mailto:info@questcdn.com) for assistance in free membership registration, downloading, and working with this digital project information. An optional paper set of project documents is also available. Copies of the Documents may be obtained at Becher-Hoppe Associates, Inc., 330 Fourth Street, P.O. Box 8000, Wausau, Wisconsin 54403/54402-8000, upon payment of a \$75 non-refundable fee. Please contact us at 715-845-8000 if you have any questions.

The Project Manual, with Drawings and Bidding Forms, is on file and may be reviewed at the office of Becher-Hoppe Associates, Inc., and at the following Builders Exchanges. Wausau Builders Exchange, Wausau, WI, La Crosse Builders Exchange, La Crosse, WI, Northwest Regional Builders Exchange, Eau Claire, WI.

#### **SUBMITTING QUEST BIDS**

No bids shall be considered unless submitted on the official Bid Form by a qualified bidder. Each bidder must deposit with the BID, security in the amount, form and subject to the conditions provided in the Instructions to Bidders along with supplement forms required. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any informality in bidding and to award the contract(s) in the best interests of the Owner. No bid shall be withdrawn for a period of 60 days after the bid opening.

#### **ADDITIONAL BIDDING REQUIREMENTS-TERO**

Tribal Employment Rights Ordinance (TERO) seeks to promote employment and training of the Nation's members and other Native American people. TERO will request you to identify any positions which could be filled by qualified tribal members. A TERO packet will need to be requested by qualified bidders. For more information and to obtain the required forms, please contact the HCN TERO Office. All necessary forms are required by the Ho-Chunk Nation TERO Ordinance and shall be fully completed upon submission. The following items must be included when submitting bid: 1.) TERO Bid Permit and non-refundable fee, 2.) TERO Certification form, 3.) TERO Registration form. (6 HCN § 3 CH. 9(4)(a)). All checks are to be made payable to Ho-Chunk Nation TERO and can be delivered to the TERO Office or mailed to the address listed below.

NOTE: The Awarded Bidder will be subject to a 2% TERO FEE and must obtain a TERO Construction Permit.

Nick Kedrowski, TERO Director

P.O. Box 667, W9814 Airport Road, Black River Falls, WI 54615

(715)284-5877 or [Nicholas.Kedrowski@Ho-Chunk.com](mailto:Nicholas.Kedrowski@Ho-Chunk.com)

Or Joshua Smith, TERO Investigator Ext. 1140 or [Joshua.Smith@Ho-Chunk.com](mailto:Joshua.Smith@Ho-Chunk.com)

#### **ADVANCE NOTICE CHOICE OF LAW**

Parties do hereby agree that the Trial Court of the Ho-Chunk Nation in Black River Falls, Wisconsin shall have exclusive jurisdiction over any and all disputes that may arise, other than claims precluded by the sovereign immunity of the Department.

Parties do hereby consent to the subject matter and personal jurisdiction of said Court over any such dispute arising pursuant to an executed agreement and any and all subsequent amendment to an agreement, without regard to conflicts of law.

#### **CONDITION OF EMPLOYMENT**

The work described herein is subject to the provisions of Section 66.0901 and 66.0903 and other applicable sections of the Wisconsin Statutes.

Issued by Authority of:

Ho-Chunk Nation, Angie Waage, Project Manager

Published June 29, 2012



## 2012 WIC Schedule

WIC Month	Wisconsin Dells	Nekoosa	Black River Falls	Black River Falls Pick-Up
January	19 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>
February	16 <sup>th</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
March	15 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>
April	25 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>
May	17 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
June	21 <sup>st</sup>	14 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>
July	19 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>
August	16 <sup>th</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
September	20 <sup>th</sup>	13 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>
October	18 <sup>th</sup>	11 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>
November	15 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>
December	20 <sup>th</sup>	13 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>

**Wisconsin Dells Area Location:** House of Wellness

**Nekoosa Area Location:** Nekoosa Health Office in the Community Building

❖ For an appointment in WI Dells or Nekoosa call Candice at (715) 886-5444 ext:8760

**Black River Falls Area Location:** Ho-Chunk Health Care Center

❖ For an appointment in Black River Falls call Betty or Linda at (715) 284-9851

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## D1 Basketball Camp

Summer is here although basketball season has been over for awhile the off season is in full swing. District 1 Community Center is holding a Basketball Camp for players that are trying to get their games ready for the next level and for the next season. Applications are being accepted for the 2012 D1 Summer Basketball Camp. Please provide all information along with the \$35

fee. Spots are limited for the D1 Camp, and participation is required if signing up. Players will learn fundamentals, teamwork, communication, game time situations, and drills that will help them to get to the next level. If you have any question or concerns please feel free to contact Coach Derris Funmaker at (715) 284-0905



### D1 Basketball Camp Application

**Dates:** Monday, July 23, 2012- Friday, July 27, 2012

**Times:** 8:00 am to 10:00 am

**Location:** District 1 Community Center Indoor/ Outdoor Courts

**Camp:** Cost \$35.00 for T-Shirts, and Gator-Aide

**Applications Deadline:** July 20th

For those entering grades 7th-12th (Fall of 2012)

Circle T-Shirt Size: YM, Small, Medium, Large, X-Large, 2X-Large

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade entering fall 2011 \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

School Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Parents Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Make Checks payable to: Derris Funmaker**

Parent's Statement: I hereby authorize the directors of the D1 Basketball Camp to act for me according to their best judgment in any emergency requiring medical attention. I accept full responsibility for liability and cost of treatment for the above registered person.

X Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Return to:** Derris Funmaker, District 1 Community Center, N7160 Low Cloud Rd. Black River Falls WI, 54615



### Ho-Chunk NATION DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING

#### NOTICE OF VACANCY

The HCN Department of Housing is seeking applicants to fill two (2) vacancies on the Housing Board of Directors

#### Duties:

Be involved in the Department's strategic community housing plan  
Serve as a consultant during the development of the Department's annual goals and objectives required pursuant to the Appropriations and Budget Process Act.  
Serve in an advisory capacity on matters referred by the Executive Director of Housing.

#### Qualifications:

Enrolled member of the Ho-Chunk Nation  
Shall have the requisite skill, knowledge specific to housing  
Provide professional and expert advice and recommendations  
Board experience and having a flexible scheduling are beneficial to being appointed

#### Membership:

Shall not be an employee of the Department of Housing  
Shall not be a member of more than two (2) department Boards of Directors  
Shall not be appointed nor serve as a member of a subordinate advisory board within the Department of Housing  
Shall not be appointed nor serve as a Commissioner of the Ho-Chunk Housing and Community Development Agency

#### Term:

Shall serve two (2) year terms and may serve for more than one (1) term. The term shall be alternated so that two (2) Directors are appointed or re-appointed after the first year and every two (2) years thereafter

If interested, submit a resume (with references), copy of valid driver's license and insurance to:  
Anna Vidana-Brown, Executive Administrative Assistant  
P.O. Box 170, Tomah, WI 54660

## ATTENTION TRIBAL MEMBERS

The Committee on Tribal Enrollment has the following vacancies:

District 2 – Seat 2  
District 3 – Seat 2  
District 5 – Seat 1  
District – 5 Seat 2

#### Length of Term:

4 years from date of Legislative Appointment

Candidate must reside in the District at the time of selection until the term limit ends, unless a redistricting change supercedes a member from the redistricted district.

To qualify you must meet the following:

- Enrolled Tribal Ho-Chunk Member
- Be at least twenty-five (25 years of age)
- Never been convicted of a felony in any tribal, state or federal court and;
- Cannot be determined to be incompetent by a court of law.

All interested Tribal Members should attend the District Area Meeting. Members are selected by eligible voters of each District.

ANY QUESTIONS YOU MAY CONTACT THE OFFICE OF TRIBAL ENROLLMENT @ 800-331-7824 OR 715-284-7824.

### Department of Health Services Tribal Affairs Office

The Tribal Affairs Office within the Department of Health Services (DHS) is recruiting for a **Social Services Supervisor/Tribal Affairs Director**. The position reports directly to the Communications Director who reports to the DHS Secretary.

This position is responsible for the planning, policy development, administration, and coordination of programs for Wisconsin American Indians; provides and directs administrative, fiscal and program supervision to the tribal governments/Indian organizations with whom the Department contracts; supervises and directs the contracting of payments and administers the Department of Health Services State/Tribe Consolidated Contracts. For additional information and to apply for this position, please go to our website at:

[http://wisc.jobs/public/job\\_view.asp?annoid=59506&jobid=59021&index=true](http://wisc.jobs/public/job_view.asp?annoid=59506&jobid=59021&index=true)



**2012 Strawberry Festival Little League Champions**

2nd year in a row - Champion game score 7 - 3



Back Row: Coaches Greg Bird, Lael Hall Sr., Zack Thundercloud, Damion Whitegull Sr.  
 Middle Row: Gregory Whitegull, Isaac Lowe, Charles Redbird, Alijas Whitegull, Elliot Bird, Ethan Terry  
 Front Row: Brandon Nicholas, Bryce Terry, Jeriah Rave Jr., Damion Whitegull Jr.

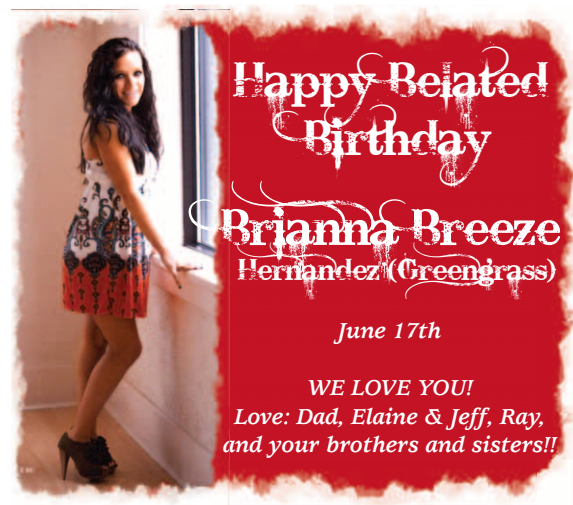
# Sand Volleyball



- Sand Volleyball League starting Tuesday, July 10, 2012
- 4-6 players per team
- Anyone who is interested contact Derris or Melissa for team information by Friday, July 6 2012

**Contact Derris  
or Melissa:**  
715-284-0905

*District 1  
Community  
Center*



## DeCorah & Littlesam Family Reunion



## A Family Celebrating It's Roots!

Milwaukee, WI ~ Saturday July 14th 2012 ~ Noon to 8pm

Jackson Park

<http://county.milwaukee.gov/ImageLibrary/Groups/cntyParks/maps/jackson.pdf>  
Any questions please contact

Maria Blackhawk-McCabe 608-343-3969

When you read this please notify anyone in the family who may not have seen this.

Look forward to seeing you all there!



## Graduations



**Allan Leroy Conant III**

**Ho-Chungra Headstart**  
Black River Falls, WI.  
Parents: Kevin Conant & Leslie Warrington. Grandparent: Sandra Lanier  
Future Endeavors: attending Kindergarten in Black River Falls, WI.



**Daniel  
Logan-Cappo**

**Preschool at the Indian Community School, Milwaukee, WI.**  
He will be continuing his education in the fall by starting K-4.  
Congratulations Daniel from Mom, Dad, and all your family!



# House of Wellness etched in Guinness Book of World Records

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On June 14, the Ho-Chunk Nation's House of Wellness Aquatic Center was a location of an effort to break a Guinness World Record for the World's Largest Swimming Lesson. The World's Largest Swimming Lesson is an international organization whose goal is to raise awareness about the benefits of swimming lessons and prevent drownings worldwide. Starting at 11 A.M. E.S.T, city pools, waterparks, and aquatic centers from around the world that registered to host local events for the World's Largest Swimming Lesson would begin instructing the same thirty minute swim lesson plan.

Cheryl Kidd, Aquatic Supervisor at the House of Wellness, said, "The last I saw online was forty-six states, and over twenty-four countries." Aquatic facilities could register their participants since January 15, 2012. Wisconsin had eight locations registered to host and instruct the World's Largest Swimming Lesson plan: Wausau City Pools, Iola-Scandinavia Community Fitness & Aquatic Center, Neenah Pool, Great Wolf Lodge Wisconsin Dells, House of Wellness, Fennimore Municipal Pool, Swan & Crystal Lake, and

the City of Greenfield Park & Recreation.

The lesson plan included Awareness Messages, following posted safety rules and warnings, summoning help in aquatic emergencies, throwing and reaching assists, sun safety, entering in water, breathing and submerging, floating, and strokes. Entering the water covered use of stairs and ladders, and from the side via front, stomach, feet first. It also included shallow and deep water dangers. The breathing and submerging section covered blowing bubbles, submerging your face, opening your eyes underwater, and picking up objects underwater. Floating involved a front float, a back float, rolling from front to back, and calling for help. Strokes covered the front glide, kicking at the wall, alternating arm stroke while standing, and a front crawl stroke. The lesson was thirty minutes of non-stop swimming skills.

Drowning is the second leading cause of unintended, injury-related death for children ages 1-14. Kidd said, "I had only two weeks to prepare for this event. I didn't find out about it until 2 weeks ago. I hope next year to have more PR and greater attendance."



World's Largest Swim Lesson participants at the House of Wellness.



Participants must float on front and back as part of the swim lesson.



Cheryl Kidd, Aquatic Supervisor at the House of Wellness, demonstrates throwing an assists.



Submerge face at the wall.



Swimmer demonstrates entering feet first jump.



Kicking with a partner.